

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 204 - SB 207**

February 16, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), in consultation with the Department of Health, to develop an institute of public health.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

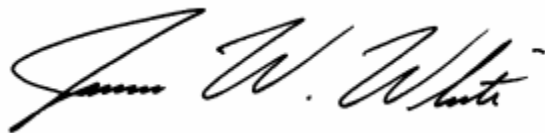
##### **Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- THEC and the Department of Health created the Institute of Public Health in the fall of 2006 through a memorandum of understanding.
- This bill codifies into law the creation of this institute.
- The institute is a stand-alone entity that would not use state funds but would be funded through grants, federal funds, and other private sources.
- Any cost to the Department of Health associated with providing assistance to THEC is estimated to be not significant and would be provided during the normal course of business.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director